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MEETING MINUTES:	BOARD OF CHARITABLE GAMING
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Wednesday, November 26, 2014 December 3, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room A , second floor of the Cannon Building
APPROVED:	December 22, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT

Janet Williams-Coger, Non-Profit Member, Chair
Tim Winstead, State Lottery Office Member, Vice Chair
Scott Angelucci, Public Member
Francis Gant, Delaware Firefighters Association Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Jay Mervine, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Kevin Maloney, Deputy Attorney General
Amanda McAtee, Administrative Specialist II
Jean Betley

PUBLIC PRESENT

Chris Cooper, Central Delaware Habitat for Humanity
Sandy Rayne, Camden-Wyoming Moose #203
William Rayne, Camden-Wyoming Moose #203

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Williams-Coger called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 22, 2014

Workshop Minutes October 20, 2014

Workshop Minutes October 22, 2014

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes of October 22, 2014, workshop minutes October 20, 2014, and the workshop minutes October 22, 2014. Mr. Gant made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winstead, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS

Review of Applications for Raffles

Quiet Resorts Charitable Foundation

NUR Shrine

Camden-Wyoming Fire Company

SODAT Delaware, Inc.

Saint Edmonds Academy

Ms. Williams-Coger reviewed and summarized the raffle applications of Quiet Resorts Charitable Foundation, NUR Shrine, Camden-Wyoming Fire Company, SODAT Delaware, Inc., and Saint Edmonds Academy. After discussion, Mr. Angelucci made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gant, to approve the raffle applications of Quiet Resorts Charitable Foundation, NUR Shrine, Camden-Wyoming Fire Company, SODAT Delaware, Inc., and Saint Edmonds Academy. The motion carried unanimously.

National Veterans Assistance Coalition (first time applicant)

Ms. Williams-Coger reviewed and summarized the raffle application of the National Veterans Assistance Coalition and stated that the application indicated that the organization had not been established for at least two years. Mr. Gant made a motion, seconded by Mr. Angelucci, to propose to deny the raffle application of the National Veterans Assistance Coalition because the organization does not meet the statutory qualifications for licensure under 24 Del. C. § 1511(a). The motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session

To discuss the contents of documents that are not part of public records pursuant to 1004(b)(6) and discussion of criminal records and files pursuant to 1002(l)(4)

Mr. Gant made a motion, seconded by Mr. Angelucci, to enter executive session to discuss the contents of documents that are not part of public records pursuant to 1004(b)(6) and discussion of criminal records and files pursuant to 1002(l)(4). The motion carried unanimously.

Review of Application(s) for Charitable Gaming Vendor License

Casino Parties Inc.

After review of the application for a charitable gaming vendor license, Mr. Gant made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winstead, to grant a charitable gaming vendor license to Casino Parties Inc. The motion carried unanimously.

Ratification of Charitable Gaming Event Permits Issued

Mr. Winstead read aloud the Charitable Gaming ratification list. Mr. Angelucci made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gant, to ratify the Charitable Gaming licensure of the Knights of Columbus - Seton Council 7990, Delaware Technical and Community College Education Foundation, Fraternal Order Of the Police Lodge 2, and Knights of Columbus Christopher Council #3182. The motion carried unanimously.

Ratification of Bingo Event Permits Issued

Mr. Winstead read aloud the Bingo ratification list. Mr. Gant made a motion, seconded by Mr. Angelucci, to ratify the Bingo licensure of Christiana Fire Company, Corpus Christi Church, Mill Creek Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary, Frederica Volunteer Fire Company, Bowers Fire Company, Seaford Elks Lodge #2458, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Debra Sipple Memorial Inc., Milford Elks Lodge #2401, Indian River Volunteer Fire Company, Harrington Fire Company, Holy Cross Church, Mamie Warren Senior Center, and Delaware Veterans Post 2. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of Request to Change Approved Event

Southern Delaware Therapeutic & Recreational Horseback Riding – Prize Change (Raffle)

Ms. McAtee stated that a prize had become unavailable and a replacement prize request had been submitted by Southern Delaware Therapeutic & Recreational Horseback Riding. After review, Mr. Gant made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winstead, to approve the prize change. The motion carried unanimously.

Ratification of Request to Change Approved Event

Milford Elks – Decrease Prize Amounts Based on Attendance

Ms. McAtee stated that the Milford Elks had contacted the Board office and wished to decrease their prize amounts based on attendance. After review, Mr. Angelucci made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gant, to approve the prize changes. The motion carried unanimously.

Hearings/Consent Agreements – none

Complaint Assignments and Updates – none

Inspection Reports

Dover Elks

Lewis Senior Center

Oak Orchard American Legion 28

Cape Henlopen Elks

Ms. Williams-Coger stated that the Board had four new inspection reports. There was no discussion.

Responses to Inspection Letters of Concern/Warning – none

CORRESPONDENCE

Camden Wyoming Moose Lodge #203

Ms. McAtee stated that the Camden-Wyoming Moose lodge had written correspondence to the Board and was present at the meeting to discuss their letter.

Mr. Rayne stated that his lodge had concern with volunteers not being able to watch cards while a player was using the restroom. Mr. Rayne stated that at his last bingo event he had four players on walkers, two on oxygen, and most of their players were elderly players. Mr. Rayne stated that they were unaware of these “hidden rules” and did not want an inspector to come to event and have a violation as a result. Mr. Rayne requested that the board to reconsider the rule.

Ms. McAtee stated that this fell under Rule 4.18 “In the playing of bingo, no person who is not physically present in the room where the game is actually conducted shall be allowed to participate as a player in the game.” Ms. McAtee suggested reserving handicapped seats near the restrooms and/or taking more breaks.

Mr. Angelucci stated that prior to the gaming inspectors, members of the board would go out and visit organizations and complaints had come from organizations complaining about each other. The Board has had inspectors for the past three years and they have done a great job in bringing the organizations into compliance. Mr. Angelucci stated that the regulations were not hidden, they were posted on the website, and they were there to protect the public. The Board had gone back and forth on the rules and laws in sunset review, and they had been reviewed substantially to make sure that the playing field was fair for all. Mr. Angelucci stated that in reality if the Board amends a rule they have to think about how it will affect the public as a whole and that was why different recommendations were made to try and help accommodate senior players.

Ms. Betley stated that if Mr. Rayne did not have enough volunteers to assist players using the restroom and a third person that needed to use the restroom could not be assisted, then the playing field would no longer be even for that third player. Mr. Angelucci stated that as it stood with the rules and regulations their hands were tied but they could think about other ways to help alleviate the issue.

Mr. Rayne thanked the Board for their comments. Mr. Winstead thanked Mr. Rayne for coming back to the Board’s meeting after the November 26th cancellation.

Kent County Habitat for Humanity

Chris Cooper from Habitat for Humanity, explained their fundraiser that they had held, in that they used fake play money to play blackjack, and the top five players received door prizes, no door prizes exceeded \$450 individually, no one was paid out cash for their “funny money”, and it was a cocktail party. Ms. Betley stated that from her understanding an attendee of the event did not have to play and that an attendee could hand someone their “funny money” to someone else.

Mr. Maloney stated that the Board could not issue an advisory opinion. Ms. McAtee stated that she could draft a letter to send to his organization that may help him with his own personal legal counsel.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)

Mr. Winstead stated that he had accepted another position and would be leaving the lottery office. The Board thanked Mr. Winstead for this service to the Board. Mr. Winstead stated that he had enjoyed his time on the Board and that the lottery director would be making a recommendation to the Governor's office for a replacement.

PUBLIC COMMENT – none

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled Board meeting is Monday, December 22, 2014 at 10:00 a.m., at 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Cannon Building Conference Room B, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, Mr. Gant made a motion, seconded by Mr. Angelucci, to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Amanda McAtee
Administrative Specialist II

The notes of this meeting are not intended to be a verbatim record of the topics that were presented or discussed. They are for the use of the Board members and the public in supplementing their personal notes and recall for presentations.